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THE PURPOSE OF THIS BOOK

As the planning of the Centennial Celebration of the Laud Church developed, suggestions were made that a book be published as a record of this achievement. One Hundred years of Christian service is not an ordinary thing but something of which this congregation can well be proud.

We would like the membership and friends of the Church to have a fairly complete history giving the names of those who were concerned and consecrated enough to keep the Church together through the years; a record of those who have Ministered with us; a complete list of the membership and how as a united group we are going forward with the work as planned by our ancestors.

We hope that through this book we might see the need for even more Christian Service and each of us might develop more of a consciousness for this need. As the community grows and the rural population increases we must grow accordingly so that all might know the message of Jesus Christ.

The committee will consider their time well spent if you will keep this book as one of your most cherished possessions.

Sincerely,
The Centennial Committee

HISTORY OF THE LAUD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

A Disciple Minister by the name of G. Mullus came into the community in the year 1855 and held preaching service in the old Maring School. This school-house which is remembered by many of our older members was located on the southeast corner of the crossroads one mile south of Laud. Before there were a few members of the Christian Church in the neighborhood but no formal organization or group meetings. Brother George Chapman of Roanoke, Indiana preached occasionally during the year of 1857 and on November 22, 1858 a group of devout and concerned people formally organized the Laud Christian Church. Records tell us that a Brother William Dooling had just finished a series of inspirational services. There were ten courageous christian people who are recorded as the charter members of the Laud Christian Church.

These Charter Members are: J. P. Alexander, Anna Alexander, Lewis Deems, Elizabeth Deems, John Ihrig, Ann Ihrig, Nehemiah Gaskell, Jane Ihrig, Charity Ihrig. The Elders were: John P. Alexander and Lewis Deems. The Deacons were: John Ihrig and Nehemiah Gaskell.

The old Maring School continued to be used as a place of worship during the succeeding years. In March, 1876, a meeting of the church membership was held to consider the building of a house of worship. The task was lightened by the donation of a plot of ground in Laud by Sister Mary Maring. The gift of a church site was gratefully accepted and a Building Committee, consisting of A. D. Miller, J. B. Ihrig, and J. L. Maring was appointed. Work was immediately begun and the church house was formally dedicated on December 29, 1878, Brother Melville P. Galleher of Ohio officiating. A revival was then conducted by Brothers Galleher and Lambert. Rev. H. M. Lambert, the minister during this building period was a tireless worker and his ministry was very fruitful. He was compensated greatly by the giving of money and building materials making the new building possible.

In the year 1907 the church building was improved by the frescoeing of the church walls, the excavating of the basement and the addition of a heating plant.

In 1929 a dining room was added to the church. In addition to its use for church activities such as Sunday School classes, Ladies Aid Society Meetings, church suppers and receptions, the hall is also in constant demand for various community gatherings.

In the year 1947 a constitution and by laws was adopted by the congregation under the leadership of Rev. D. D. McColl.

In the fall of 1951 the church sanctuary was remodeled and redecorated and in the fall of 1952 our present heating system was converted to oil heat.

In 1954 the Builders Class promoted a chancel improvement program which resulted in a completely new blonde oak chancel.

In recent years a new floor was installed in the church parlor and an organ replaced the piano in the sanctuary.

The Centennial Improvement Program included the following improvements: remodeling of the church entrance , painting of the sanctuary, installation of new pews.

LAUD CHURCH .

YEAR - 1909



THE LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

Elders

Harry T. Yoder
Merlin Hindbaugh
William Johnson
Mark Snyder

Deaconesses

Geraldine Crowell
Ethel Hollenbaugh
Betty Luther
Marjorie Tschantz
Jenevev Hollenbaugh
Thora Lefever
Irene Morris
Hallie Yoder
Pearl Rosenberger
Dorotha Sheets
Rose Kaufman
Gladys Grabach
Jaunita Ward

Deacons

Lester Brock
Lawrence Hershman
Henry Lefever
Simon Luther
Max Kaufman
David Newell
John Turpin
Russell Yohe
Charles Luther
Clarence Rosenberger
William Grabach
Ralph Ward

Trustees

Merlin Hindbaugh
Clarence Rosenberger
Simon Luther

Chairman of the Board
Vice - Chairman
Secretary
Treasurer
Clerk & Historian

Merlin Hindbaugh
Harry T. Yoder
Mark Snyder
Max Kaufman
Geraldine Crowell



THE CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Helen Avins
Carolyn Beck
Gerald Beck
Jerry Beck
Larry Beck
Richard Beck
Robert Beck
Ruth Beck
Alice Bechtold
Teddy Bell
Sandra Bollinger
Lester Brock
Mildred Brock
Eva Crowell
Geraldine Crowell
Lester Crowell
David Doudt
Dale Dunfee
Edith Dunfee
Marshall Dunfee
Charles Grabach
Gladys Grabach
William Grabach
Virginia Herbst
Edith Hershman
Judy Hershman
Lawrence Hershman
Robert Hershman
Donald Hindbaugh
Janice Hindbaugh
LaVerne Hindbaugh
Merlin Hindbaugh
Ronald Hindbaugh
Bonnie Hollenbaugh
Edna Hollenbaugh
Ethel Hollenbaugh
Isabelle Hollenbaugh
Jenavev Hollenbaugh
Stephen Hollenbaugh
Lester Hosler
Charlotte Hurd
Hilda Hurd

Ethel Ihrig
Myrtle Ihrig
Joyce Jackson
Alice Johnson
Joan Johnson
Phillip Johnson
Wayne Johnson
William Johnson
Edna Kaufman
Jerry Kaufman
Lucille Kaufman
Max Kaufman
Merritt Kaufman
Philip Kaufman
Rose Kaufman
Ted Kaufman
Leston King
Dennis Kiser
Betty Kiser
Eugene Kiser
Henry Lefever
John Lefever
Juanita Lefever
Max Lefever
Thora Lefever
Betty Luther
Charles Luther
LuAnn Luther
Ruth Luther
Simon Luther
Helen Meinika
Earl Merriman
Hugh Merriman
Mabel Merriman
Jack Morris
John Morris
Irene Morris
Madalyn Morris
William Morris
Florence Mosher
Desta Mullendore
Ancel Mullett

Elma Mullett
Gloria Mullett
Harold Mullett
Nancy Mullett
Frances Nicodemus
David Newell
Marilyn Newell
Carolyn Phillips
David Phillips
Emma Jean Phillips
Eugene Phillips
Gloria Phillips
Jack Phillips Sr.
Jack Phillips Jr.
Wayne Phillips
Bessie Raber
Paul Raber
Mary Reimer
Neal Richards
Clarence Rosenberger
Janice Rosenberger
Pearl Rosenberger
Wayne Rosenberger
Delilah Schmidt
Harry Schmidt
Dorothea Sheets
Joy Sheets
Lester Sheets
Lois Sheets
Maribelle Sheets
Virgil Smith
Mark Snyder
Pauline Snyder
Garland Thompson
Harold Tschantz
Marjorie Tschantz
Richard Tschantz
Joe Turpin
John Turpin
Marcia Turpin
Monabelle Turpin
Juanita Ward
Ralph Ward

Demma White
Millie White
Mary Weybright
Gerry Wince

Joe Yoder
Hallie Yoder
Harry Yoder
Thelma Eby

Anita Yohe
Mary Ann Yohe
Marguerite Yohe
Russell Yohe



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIPERS

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CHURCH

THE FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM operates largely through standing departments or divisions each of which is responsible for a major program phase. Functional departments both plan and execute a program. Plans are first submitted to the church board for approval. When such plans are approved it then becomes the responsibility of the respective functional departments to see that they are carried out, either directly, or through various auxiliary organizations of the church.

While the number of functions of the departments vary from church to church, the following are those in use at Laud.

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEES

WORSHIP & DEVOTIONAL LIFE

Ralph Ward, Chairman
LaVerne Hindbaugh
Harry Yoder
Pearl Rosenberger

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Max Kaufman, Chairman
Charles Luther
Hallie Yoder
Simon Luther

MISSIONS & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Marjorie Tschantz, Chairman
Betty Luther
Rose Kaufman
Pauline Snyder
Jenevev Hollenbaugh

EDUCATION & YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Dorothea Sheets, Chairman
Hilda Hurd
Florence Mosher
Henry Lefever
Margurete Yohe

EVANGELISM & MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Mark Snyder, Chairman
Merlin Hindbaugh
Lawrence Hershman
Geraldine Crowell

ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN THE CHURCH

YOUTH GROUPS

CYF

Our present youth groups had their beginning during the ministry of Paul Clark. This high school group was organized in 1953 with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wiedenhoeft as adult sponsors. Wayne Johnson was the first president. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yoder sponsored this group from 1955 till June of 1957.

A CYF Choir was organized and robes were purchased by the group. Funds were raised by selling cookies, having a bake sale, a chili supper and a scrap drive. Joe Yoder was District President in 1956.

In June of 1957 the group joined with the Saturn Church and is now a part of our Unity with sponsors from the Saturn Church.

CHI RHO

The Chi Rho was organized in 1955 as a unity project. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Church sponsored this group during 1957 and 1958. At present the Chi Rho is active but does not have a regular sponsor.

JUNIOR CYF

The Junior CYF was organized as a unity project in 1955 with Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kiser as sponsors. In 1956 Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lefever took over this group. They are now active.

We recognize that during the years youth groups have been active in the church. The church history says that in 1891 a Christian Endeavor was organized.

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The men of the church have met rather irregularly since November of 1953. Plans are being made to reactivate this organization. The group plans to bring the men of the church into a more responsible position in the total program of the church. In the past this organization has done much in work projects, fellowship meetings and contributing to the church property. Ralph Ward is the active president.

LOYAL WORKERS

This group of older ladies have organized as a social and study group. They meet monthly in the homes. Myrtle Ihrig is president of this class and Mayola Tschantz is secretary.

THE BUILDER'S CLASS

The Builder's Class was organized in the year of 1938. In the beginning both men and women were included. Later as the class grew the women formed and organized their own class. One day a month was set aside as an evening of social life and devotion. These regular monthly "parties" have proven invaluable in socializing prospective members and inviting new people into the church. The growth of the church has been affected quite a lot by the contacts of this active group.

The Old Settler's Day food stand was started in 1947 as a fund raising project so that the class might do something materially for the church. In the past 11

years this group has supported a proxy child at the Cleveland home, sponsored a Cub pack, bought folding chairs, song books, blinds, paint, drapes, light fixtures and folding tables.

In 1954 this class sponsored the chancel improvement program and later gave the church an electric organ. During this centennial year the class promoted the buying of new pews.

The Old Settler's Day project and the sanctuary improvement program have had the complete co-operation of the congregation. This class recognizes that all of these things could not have been done without the help of the people of the church.



THE LADIES AID

The Ladies Aid is the oldest organization in the church. The beginning dates back to 1883 with Mrs. Gilbert Ireland, the minister's wife, as the organizer.

These ladies through the years have added greatly to the spiritual and material growth of the church. This group sponsors church dinners and makes quilts to raise funds for their projects.

Funds from this group made possible our fellowship room, a new tile floor in this room, kitchen equipment etc. For many years the Ladies Aid bought the coal to heat the sanctuary. Mayola Tschantz is secretary and Myrtle Ihrig is treasurer of this organization.



Mrs. William Hollenbaugh is president of the Ladies Aid.

THE CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The C. W. F. was organized in 1955 with Rose Kaufman as the first president. This organization holds meetings every three months and includes all the women of the church.

The C. W. F. was organized as a means of getting all the women's groups to work together on certain important projects, mostly of the missionary nature, and in a united way to help with the total church program.

The present officers are Edith Dunfee, president; Marguerite Yohe, treasurer; and Mildred Brock, secretary.

OUR UNITY WITH THE SATURN CHRISTIAN CHURCH

With the consent of the church board, in January of 1955, our minister, Paul Clark accepted the call of the Saturn Church to act as their minister on a unity basis with the Laud Church. A joint board meeting was called to adjust schedules and to work out solutions for problems that might come up under this new arrangement. This joint board organized with plans to meet quarterly or as needed. The minister was to be chairman and Mrs. John Kauffman of Saturn was elected treasurer. At present our youth groups are working under unity.

Our paper The Justbetweenus is a cooperative project. The unity owns a duplicator, purchased to meet the needs of both churches. Both churches pay into the unity treasury as funds are needed.

THE JUSTBETWEENUS

Both the Laud and Saturn churches are proud of our parish paper, published weekly and distributed by mail to every family and many friends of the churches. This paper is printed on co-owned equipment in the pastors office both churches contributing news. The Justbetweenus was suggested by Howard Mertz of Saturn. The cover was designed by Mr. Mertz who prints the covers without charge to the unity. Mark Snyder of Laud and Howard Mertz of Saturn are the contributing editors. The papers are addressed and prepared for mailing by Mrs. Howard Aker of Saturn and Misses Ethel and Mertle Ihrig of Laud. The Justbetweenus has gained recognition in rural church work in our state and is considered one of the best in its class.



OUR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

We cooperate with the churches of both Washington and Jefferson Townships in Vacation Bible Schools. It is difficult for us, because of our location, to give our share of leadership to each of these fine schools. The efforts of the church people of these townships has given the children of this community the opportunity to have the highest type of Vacation Bible School training.

MINISTERS WHO HAVE SERVED THE CHURCH

George Chapman	1857 - 1859
Elder Brown	1860
Brother Hendrick	1861 - 1862
Brother Sheppard	1861 - 1862
Aaron Walker	1863
Brother Emmons	1864
Brother Kemp	1865
Charles Austin	1865 - 1870
Brother McCormack	1871
Noah Walker	1871
Brother Hammond	1875
H. M. Lambert	1875 - 1882
C. D. Saunders	1882 - 1883
Gilbert E. Ireland	1883 - 1884
H. M. Lambert	1885
William A. Dunkleberger	1885
M. L. Blainey	1886 - 1887
Brother Pyle	1888
S. C. Hummel	1889
Brother Taylor	1890 - 1891
Brother Solon Howenstine	1892
E. Miller	1893 - 1894
Brother Shoemaker	1894 - 1895
Brother Pyle	1896
S. C. Hummel	1897
Arthur Gillespie	1898 - 1901
Brother Miller	1902
John H. Clark	1902 - 1903
W. M. Cunningham	1904
Arthur Gillespie	1905 - 1907
Hally Burkhart	1909 - 1910
C. C. Griggs	1911
F. D. Durham	1912
George Marlow	1913
Calvin Taylor	1914
W. F. Shearer	1915 - 1919
A. L. Martin	1920 - 1925
A. A. Coil	1927 - 1928
Herbert Wilson	1929 - 1930
J. Maurice Thompson	1931 - 1935
T. Evard Smith	1936 - 1938
Carl Ledbetter	1940 - 1941
Harold Ford	1941 - 1942
Darrell Norwood	1943 - 1944
D. D. McColl	1945 - 1948
Battle F. Miller	1948 - 1950
Charles Davis	1951 - 1952
Paul Clark	1952 - 1957
J. William Weber	1957 -

MORE ABOUT SOME OF OUR PASTORS



Rev. Albert A. Coil served our church in 1927 and 1928. Mr. Coil is teaching at North Side High School and fills the pulpit at the South View Christian Church in Warsaw. Mr. and Mrs. Coil live at 641 West State Street, Fort Wayne, Ind.



Rev. Herbert J. Wilson served the Laud Church in 1929 and 1930 during his student days. He is now the minister of the Miles Avenue Church of Christ in Cleveland, Ohio.



Rev. J. Maurice Thompson came to the Laud Church in 1931 and preached until 1935 while a student at Butler University. Rev. Thompson is ministering to the Central Christian Church in Huntington, Indiana. Mr. Thompson is one of the outstanding ministers in our Brotherhood. He is a member of the State Board of Directors of the Disciples of Christ.

Not all pastors pictures available



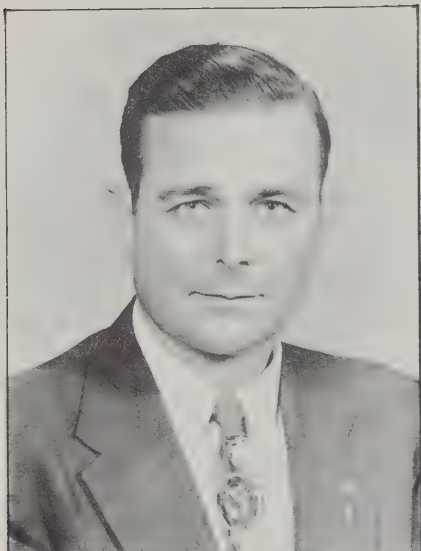
Rev. Duncan McColl worked with the Laud Church from 1945 to 1948. During this time he was State Evangelist for the Disciples of Christ. During his ministry we adopted our constitution and Mr. McColl lead the congregation in a very successful visitation evangelism program. He is serving the First Christian Church, 858 West Huron Street, Pontiac, Michigan.

Carl Ledbetter served the Laud Church as a student pastor in 1940 and 1941. He left Laud to enter the army and will soon complete 18 years of service. At present he is Chaplain in Seoul, Korea. His army rank is Lieutenant Colonel.



Paul J. Clark came to Laud in 1952 and served our church 2 years before starting his pastoral with the Laud and Saturn unity. Mr. Clark was a student and received both his B. A. and B. D. degrees from Butler and The School of Religion during his ministry here. Much of our growth in membership, organization and building improvement was accomplished during his ministry. Mr. Clark is serving the First Christian Church in Arcola, Illinois.





Battle Miller ministered to the Laud Church in 1948 to 1950. He has retired from the ministry and following a long period of ill health is now in sales work. He lives at Grover Hill, Ohio.

OUR MINISTER

J. William Weber came to us in August of 1957 from Brilliant, Ohio. He served the Christian Church in Morristown, Ohio, during his studentship at Bethany College.

Bill started his college work at Ohio State then finished his B.A. at Bethany in 1957. He is now working on his B.D. at Christian Theological Seminary.



Mr. Weber and his wife, Luana, live in the community and are kept busy ministering to both the Laud and Saturn Churches.

Great things are in store for this fine family and we at Laud wish them much success in their christian ministry. May they spend many more years ministering to the Laud Church.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Our present Sunday School had its beginning in the Old Maring School on a co-operative basis with the United Brethern who were using the same building as a house of worship. When the United Brethern moved into their new building, which still stands (Forest Chapel), the disciples decided to organize a Sunday School of their own. Mrs. Lydia Howenstine was the first superintendent. This School still serves the people of this community with eight well staffed classes even though the facilities are not adequate. It is hoped that in the future we will have an educational plant commensurate with our present needs and estimated growth.

The educational committee, Mrs. Dorotha Sheets chairman, is responsible for the operation of the Church School. Mark Snyder is the present superintendent. The school uses Bethany materials and distributes papers to all age groups.

The work of the Church School is important in the life of the Church and those who give of their time and talent toward this vital project contribute in a very important way to the future growth and progress of the church.

THE TEACHING STAFF

Pre-school	Rose Kaufman LaVerne Hindbaugh
Primary	Carolyn Beck Dorotha Sheets
Juniors	Lawrence Hershman
Intermediates	Mark Snyder
High School (C Y F)	Marjorie Tschantz
Builders (Adult ladies)	Florence Mosher
Mens Adult	Merlin Hindbaugh
Loyal Workers (Adult ladies)	Elma Mullett
Secretaries	Geraldine Crowell Janice Hindbaugh

THE MUSIC OF THE CHURCH



The Laud Church over the years seems to have had a desire to give to its people a dignified and worshipful music program. In the years past Gene and Minnie Chavey served the Church as song leader and pianist quite faithfully.

The Church was proud of the Stienway Grand that had a prominant spot on the chancel. Pauline Snyder, Alma Mullett, Marilyn Newell, and William Johnson have contributed much to the music of the church.

During the ministry of Paul Clark our present Youth Choir was organized with Pauline Snyder as director.

The Steinway Grand was replaced by a beautiful electric organ, another gift of the Builder's Class.

We have a very competant organist, Mrs. Merlin Hindbaugh, who is ably assisted by Mrs. Lawrence Hershman and Mrs. William Weber.

Mrs. Oscar Sheets is the present director of the Youth Choir. New hymnals (A Christian Worship) were added to the Church a few years ago. The Builder's Class is credited with this gift.

At the right is Mrs. Merlin Hindbaugh playing the electric organ.



OUR SANCTUARY

During the past few years the folks at Laud have worked diligently to make the sanctuary a place worthy of worshipping God. There was a desire that the house of worship be a place of beauty where one could be free to worship God without the distraction of unsightly surroundings.

In 1954 the chancel was beautified with the installation of blonde oak furniture. A number of pieces of furniture were donated by members or friends on the church in memory of deceased loved ones. The communion table was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jensen in memory of Frank and Ann Leppo. The clergy pew was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rosenberger in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Dan Rosenberger. A flower stand was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Tschantz in memory of infant daughter Rebecca. The offering plates were purchased from donations by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kaufman in memory of Jacob and Harriet Kaufman. The elder's pew and a flower stand were donated by the Max Kaufman's.

The beautification was continued this year as part of our Centennial improvement Program.

The Men's Fellowship used two of their monthly meetings to repaint the sanctuary. The ladies also helped in this project. The men also took care of refinishing the floor.

A special project, under the leadership of the Builder's Class, was the installation of new pews to match the chancel furniture. Several members and friends backed this project with their gifts. Those who purchased entire pews are: Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Hindbaugh; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rosenberger; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yoder; Mr. and Mrs. Max Kaufman; Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson; Mr. and Mrs. Solon Merriman; William, Ethyl, Myrtle Ihrig and Edna Kaufman and the Ladies Aid. Those who contributed gifts to this project are: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Luther; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Brock; Mr. and Mrs. William Hollenbaugh; Hugh Merriman; James Perfect; Ralph Merriman; Earl Merriman; and Mary Mullendore.

In connection with the Centennial Improvement Program the front entrance was completely remodeled.

We are grateful to Garland Hurd who has donated all of our electrical work. In connection with this particular project he donated the beautiful lights along side the new entrance. He also donated his time and the material for wiring the bulletin board. His services are greatly appreciated.

Those serving on the Building Improvement Committee are: Merlin Hindbaugh, Chairman of the Board; Juanita Ward, Builder's Class; Edith Dunfee, C.W.F.; Mrs. William Hollenbaugh, Ladies Aid; Pearl Rosenberger, Deaconess; Simon Luther, Trustee; Ralph Ward, C.M.F.; Clarence Rosenberger, Deacon.

THE DISTRICT
CONVENTION AT ELKHART
IN OCTOBER, 1958

Merlin Hindbaugh was president of this very successful gathering of disciples. The Laud and Saturn Pastoral Unity had 29 people attending. This was more than any other church in the District with the exception of Elkhart, the host church.



A group of Laud folks posed for Ralph Ward during the afternoon break.



LOOKING BACK

As we think about the church and how through the years it has continued to be a vital part of our community life, we realize that this 100 years didn't just happen but each decade or generation there were a few energetic christian people who with the grace of God gave of their time and talent to keep this work going forward.

These people loved the church and made its work the center of their lives. We do not know all of these people because much of their work is not a matter of record.

Brother Solon Howenstine was one of these persons. Much is told of his work by his mother in her book, "The Cradle to the Grave". Ollie Merriman worked diligently with the Missionary Society.

Frank Leppo lead the singing for years before we had a piano. Warren and Callie Deems served faithfully as Elder and Sunday School teacher.

Eugene and Minnie Chavey gave their whole lives to the activities of the church. Brother Chavey held many church offices and Minnie played the piano faithfully and very well.

Clarence Ihrig was Sunday School Superintendent for many years. Earl Kaufman was a trustee and took spirited interest in the upkeep of the church property.

Mrs. Ella Goble, who just passed away this summer, loved the Laud Church and contributed much to the history. These folks we have mentioned are not in our pews as we worship each Sunday but the work they did can never be forgotten.

Today there are folks still living who were active in church school, church work and group activities during their more active days. In coming years as pages are added to the history of our church many of the names of people with us today will stand out as a shining example of dedication and service.

CAN YOU REMEMBER ?



An active Sunday
School class.

About

1913

Teacher,

Mrs. Callie Deems

A Ladies Aid
meeting.

About

1911

The gentleman is

Mr. Ingram

Merriman



A class of
beginners.

about

1913

Teacher

Mrs. Mary

Chamberlin

MORE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

BEGINNERS

ABOUT

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JUANITA

WARD

TEACHER



THE SAME

CLASS

LATER

MRS. WARD

TEACHER

THE LOYAL

WORKERS

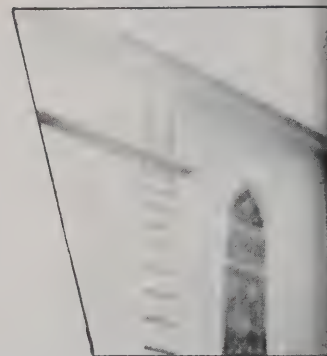
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LAUD MEN IN ACTION

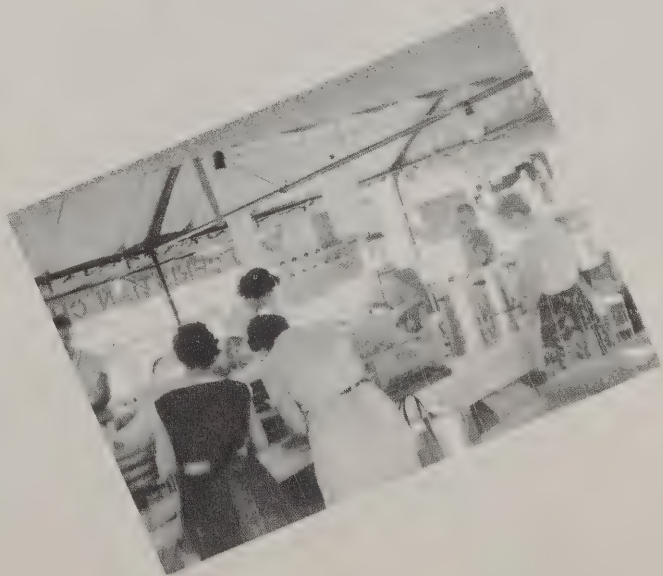


A complete paint job in
six hours.

Secret - Lots of help
with a big dinner in the
kitchen.

WATER PROOFING THE OLD SETTLER'S TENT





The Big Day

November 26, 1958

JUST BETWEEN US

"Thou hast given so much to us, Dear Lord, give one thing more - a grateful heart."
- Geo. Herbert

NOVEMBER 1958

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LAUD CENTENNIAL A SUCCESS

The Big Day at Laud is but a memory - a memory which will last for years to come. It was quite a day. It all began with the Sunday school hour at which Mark Snyder presided and presented a history of the Church School. The morning worship service, shared with Saturn, was attended by Wayne Johnson, Laud Timothy. The highlight of the service was the message by Wayne Johnson, Laud Timothy. Special music by the choir and a trio (Janice Hindbaugh, Lois Sheets, Carolyn Phillips) was featured in morning and afternoon services. Merlin Hindbaugh presided in the morning. The afternoon service was presided over by Harry Yoder. Former ministers attending were Battle Miller of Grover Hill, Ohio and Maurice Thompson of Huntington, Indiana. A sketch of our church, It's Past - Mark Snyder, It's Present - Bill Weber, It's Future - Joe Yoder, was presented. The message was brought by Lonnie Hass, State Director of the Town & Country Church.



Organist: AFTERNOON PROGRAM
Mrs. Lawrence Hershman

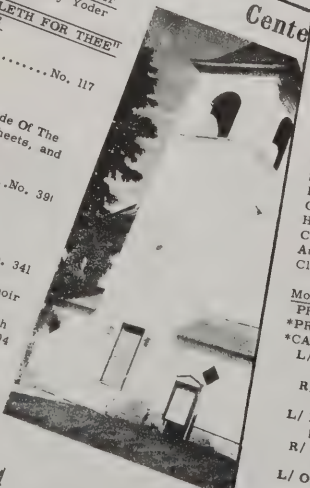
"THE MASTER IS HERE AND CALLETH FOR THEE"
Presiding Elder Harry Yoder

PRELUDE: "The Church By The Side Of The Road"
*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "The Church By The Side Of The Road"
*CALL TO WORSHIP: Carolyn Phillips
*INVOCATION: Carolyn Phillips
*CHORAL RESPONSE: "The Church By The Side Of The Road"
SPECIAL MUSIC: "The Church By The Side Of The Road" No. 117

RECOGNITION OF FORMER MINISTERS:
HYMN OF LOVE: "The Church By The Side Of The Road"
OUR CHURCH: "The Church By The Side Of The Road"
It's Past: Mark Snyder
It's Present: Joe Yoder
*PRAYER HYMN: "The Church By The Side Of The Road"
*PASTORAL PRAYER: "The Church By The Side Of The Road"
SPECIAL MUSIC: "The Church By The Side Of The Road" No. 391

THE SERMON: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" - Choir
*CLOSING HYMN: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" - Choir
*RECESSIONAL: Rev. Lonnie Hass
*BENEDICTION: Town & Country Church
*CHORAL RESPONSE: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" No. 304
POSTLUDE: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" No. 304

REGARDING THIS CHURCH: This is a church of reverent worship, open mind, intellectual freedom, social conscience, spiritual aspiration, and human sympathy. It seeks to discover and interpret the meaning of life in the light of the eternal.



LAUD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

November 23, 1958

LAUD CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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CENTENNIAL PROGRAM

Minister: William Weber
Organist: LaVerne Hindbaugh
Presiding Elder: Merlin Hindbaugh
Superintendent: Mark Snyder
*HOLINESS BECOMETH THY HOUSE, O LORD"

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Church-School Period: Mark Snyder Presiding
Opening Hymn: "The Church By The Side Of The Road" No. 371
Prayer: "The Church By The Side Of The Road"
Scripture Lesson: "The Church By The Side Of The Road"
Hymn: "The Church By The Side Of The Road" No. 532
Our Church - School - It's History
Class Period: "The Church By The Side Of The Road" No. 442
Announcements: "The Church By The Side Of The Road"
Closing Hymn: "The Church By The Side Of The Road" No. 405

Morning Worship:
PRELUDE: "The Church By The Side Of The Road"
*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "The Church By The Side Of The Road" No. 593
*CALL TO WORSHIP: Responsive
L/ Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, who stand ... in the house of the Lord
R/ Lift up your hands to the holy place, and bless the Lord
L/ May the Lord bless you from Zion, he who made heaven and earth.
R/ Then I will thank thee in the great congregation; O Lord, I love the habitation of thy house, and the place where thy honor dwells.
R/ Remember thy congregation, which thou hast redeemed of old, which thou hast redeemed ... Remember Mount Zion, where thou hast dwelt.

*SILENT MEDITATION:
*INVOCATION:
*CHORAL RESPONSE: "The Father's Built This City"
SPECIAL MUSIC: "The Father's Built This City" No. 2
HYMN OF TRUST: "The Father's Built This City" No. 451
OFFERTORY SCRIPTURE: "The Father's Built This City"
DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS:
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION: "The Father's Built This City" No. 347
RESPONSIVE READING: (O. T.)
COMMUNION HYMN: "The Father's Built This City" No. 347

*PRAYERS FOR THE EMBLEMS:
THE LORD'S SUPPER:
PRAYER HYMN: "The Father's Built This City" No. 347
PASTORAL PRAYER: "The Father's Built This City"
THE LORD'S PRAYER: Unison
CHORAL RESPONSE: "The Father's Built This City"
ANNOUNCEMENTS:
SPECIAL MUSIC: "His Eye Is On The Sparrow"
Trio: Janice Hindbaugh, Lois Sheets, Carolyn Phillips
THE SERMON: Wayne Johnson
*HYMN OF INVITATION: "His Eye Is On The Sparrow" No. 294
*RECESSIONAL:
*BENEDICTION:
*CHORAL RESPONSE:
POSTLUDE:

NOON MEAL AND FELLOWSHIP HOUR 12:00

We wish to bid a welcome to all of our friends and guests who have come to be with us and worship with us on this our Centennial Anniversary. We are indeed grateful for our rich heritage, for the consecration of the present, and we look toward a future of service. Thank you for coming and sharing with us this milestone in our church's history.

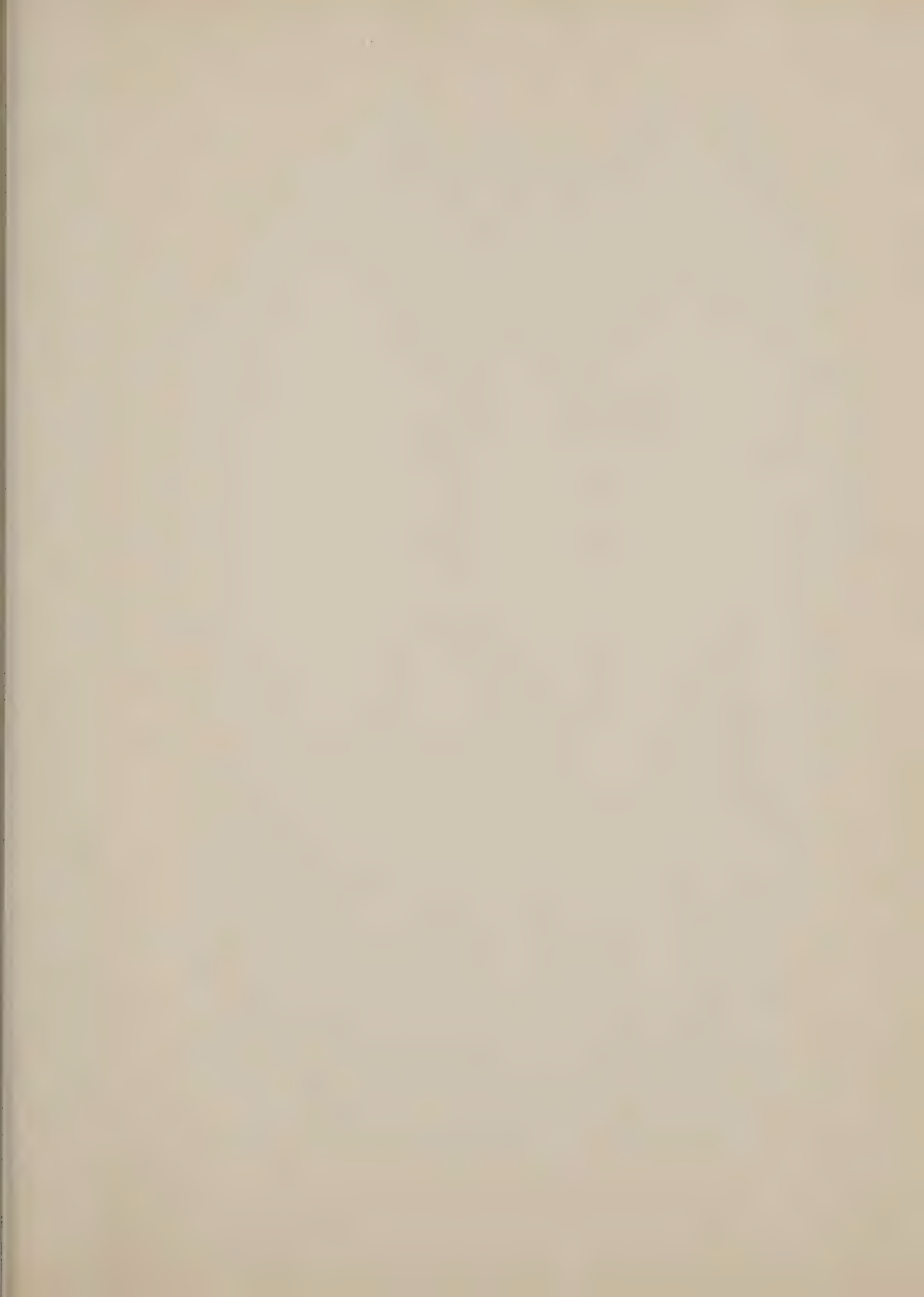
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These folks have spent many hours putting this book together. The book now belongs to you and the church. Their compensation will depend entirely on your acceptance. We hope you like it.

— The Editor





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